

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Applicants hereby request that the Sequence Listing submitted herewith be entered to replace all prior versions of the Sequence Listing.

Please amend p. 5, lines 18 to p. 6, line 13 of the specification as follows:

The present invention solves the underlying technical problem by providing oligonucleotides that can be used as forward and reverse primers to amplify a nucleic acid area of a genital human papilloma virus (HPV). The present invention solves the underlying technical problem in particular by providing an oligonucleotide that can be used as a forward primer to amplify a nucleic acid area of a genital human papilloma virus (HPV) and that has the sequence 5'-CAR GCI AAA WWW KTD AAR GAY TGT G-3' (SEQ ID no. 136) or 5'-CAR GCN AAA WWW KTD AAR GAY TGT G-3' (SEQ ID no. 1), where R = A or G, W = T or A, K = T or G, I = inosine, N = A, T, G, or C, D = A, T, or G, and Y = C or T.

The oligonucleotide that is used in the invention as the forward primer is preferably selected from the group comprising:

- a) an oligonucleotide having the sequence 5'-CAR GCI AAA TAT KTR AAA GAT TGT G-3' (SEQ ID no. 137) or 5'-CAR GCN AAA TAT KTR AAA GAT TGT G-3' (SEQ ID no. 2),
- b) an oligonucleotide having the sequence 5'-CAR GCA AAA TAT GTW AAG GAT TGT G-3' (SEQ ID no. 3),
- c) an oligonucleotide having the sequence 5'-CAR GCW AAA ATT GTA AAR GAT TGT G-3' (SEQ ID no. 4),

- d) an oligonucleotide having the sequence 5'-CAA GCA AAA ATA GTA AAR GAC TGT G-3' (SEQ ID no. 5) and
- e) an oligonucleotide having the sequence 5'-CAR GCA AAA TAT GTA AAA GAC TGT G-3' (SEQ ID no. 6),

where R = A or G, W = T or A, K = T or G, I = inosine, and N = A, T, G, or C.